## Rachel Moon Bella Luna Designs Artist Statement/Bio

I've always loved the South. The weather is warmer, the smiles are brighter, and life is happier. On a trip to Charleston, South Carolina I fell in love with wire-wrapped bangles that were in all the local boutiques. I've always had a passion for DIY and decided to try my hand at wire wrapping.

I began wearing my handcrafted bangles to work and my co-workers also fell in love with their fun, vibrant colors. They soon began buying them up and from that my business had officially started! I love making the bangles with beads that catch my eye and reflect the light of the sun. To me the jewelry represents a fun, happy, and carefree way of life.

During the day I teach middle school math at John Adams Middle School in Charleston, WV. Wire wrapping has been a wonderful way for me to 'disconnect' from a stressful day in a fun way. I hope you enjoy my jewelry as much as I've enjoyed making it.